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PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF NOIDA MINT
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government mint in NOIDA is not being utilised fully and its production capacity is between 17% to 45% only;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to fully utilise the mint instead of importing coins?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE (Shri Gingee N. Ramachandran)

(a) The India Govt. Mint (IGM), Noida, has a installed capacity toproduce 1000 Million Pieces of coins (mpcs) per annum on a single shift basis. During 2000-01, the IGM, Noida produced 1010 mpcs of coins, even more than the installed capacity.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government has approved a second shift for IGM, Noida witha view to double its capacity from existing 1000 mpcs per annum to 2000 mpcs per annum.